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NEWS FROM THE TABLE
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Session #5
BTA Office

The BTA negotiating team comprised of BTA's Executive Director, Nathan Banditelli, Sue Conway (Luther), Brenda Kosbab (BHS), Adam Hochberg (JBHS), Jennifer Halligan (Disney), Rachel Zonshine (Edison) met with the BUSD team, comprised of Sarah Niemann (Asst. Sup. Human Resources), John Paramo (Asst. Sup. Ed Service), Andy Cantwell (Asst. Sup. Admin Services), Matt Chambers (Principal JBHS), Wendy Vargas (Assistant Principal Muir) at the BTA Office.

Budget

- Nate Banditelli gave a budget presentation from BTA's perspective.

Elementary PE

- On the January 19th the Board of Ed approved funding for 5 elementary PE teachers for the next 2 school years
- These FTEs are being paid from one-time money
- During negotiations the parties discussed ways to continue funding for PE after the next 2 years

No articles were presented by either party and no agreements were reached, but there was very productive discussion on Articles 9 and 11.

Article 9 Discussion – Hours

- Alignment of instructional minutes for TK and K
- The status of divided opening for grades 1 and 2
- The status of 0 period teachers attending after school meetings
- The status of teachers with .2s attending after school meetings and communicating with parents
- After school meeting length of 60 minutes versus 90 minutes
- Planning time for elementary teachers
- Compensation for attending after school PD

Article 11 Discussion – Class size

- Site class size ratio
- Class size caps for elementary, middle, and high school
- Total student contacts for middle and high school (the total number of students a teacher has)
- Secondary PE class size

Next negotiations session is Thursday, February 16th. BTA will be presenting counters for Articles 9 and 11 as well as salary and benefits.